What is claimed is:

1.   A WWW server on the Internet enabling browsing and/or evaluation of information provided in relation to a proposed theme, as well as managing users' points accompanying proposal, provision, browsing and/or evaluation of the information; said users accessing said server through respective user terminals being managed by respective user IDs; said each user ID being made to correspond to points which increase/decrease according to such as acceptance/giving of various information through said WWW server; and user information such as said user ID and said points being recorded to an appropriate database,

wherein said WWW server comprises the following items (1) - (9):

(1)   in accordance to an operational input of a user through the user terminal, the server sends, to said user terminal, data for generating an input-accepting screen for inputting a theme for collecting information;

(2)   the server accepts said information-collecting theme inputted through said input-accepting screen displayed on said user terminal, and records the theme to an appropriate storage means;

(3)   in accordance to an operational input of a user through the user terminal, the server sends, to said user terminal, data for generating a screen for displaying said information-collecting theme and for accepting input of information relating to said theme;

(4)   the server records, to said storage means, said theme-related information inputted through said information-accepting screen displayed on said user terminal;

(5)   in accordance to an operational input of a user through the user terminal, the server sends, to said user terminal, data for generating a screen for displaying said information-collecting theme and said theme-related information;

5   (6)   the server decreases the points of the user who browsed said theme-related information, and records this to said database;

(7)   in accordance to said theme-related information being browsed, the server increases the points of the user who proposed

10   said theme, and records this to said database;

(8)   the server accepts the user's evaluation of said theme-related information through said user terminal, and records the evaluation to said storage means; and

(9)   in accordance to the obtained evaluation result, the

15   server calculates said points of said user who provided said theme-related information, and records this to said database.

2.   A WWW server according to claim 1, wherein said evaluation of said theme-related information in said item (8) is

20   a result of a vote accepted from said user terminal.

3.   A WWW server according to claim 1, wherein the server decreases the points of the user who proposed said information-collecting theme, and records this to said database.

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4.   A WWW server according to claim 1, wherein said calculation of said points in said item (9) is an addition process.

5.   A WWW server according to claim 1, wherein a billing

30   process to said user is conducted instead of said decreasing of

said points.

   6.   A method for operating a WWW server connected to user terminals through the Internet in order to enable browsing and/or

5 evaluation of information provided in relation to a proposed theme, as well as manage users' points accompanying proposal, provision, browsing and/or evaluation of the information; said users accessing said server through respective user terminals being managed by respective user IDs; said each user ID being made to

10 correspond to points which increase/decrease according to such as acceptance/giving of various information through said server; and user information such as said user ID and said points being recorded to an appropriate database,

   wherein said method for operating said WWW server comprises

15 the following steps (A) - (I):

   (A)   a step of sending, in accordance to an operational input of the user through the user terminal, data for generating an input-accepting screen for inputting a theme for collecting information to said user terminal;

20   (B)   a step of accepting said information-collecting theme inputted through said input-accepting screen displayed on said user terminal, and recording the theme to an appropriate storage means;

   (C)   a step of sending, in accordance to an operational

25 input of a user through the user terminal, data for generating a screen for displaying said information-collecting theme and for accepting input of information relating to said theme to said user terminal;

   (D)   a step of recording, to said storage means, said

30 theme-related   information   inputted   through   said

information-accepting screen displayed on said user terminal;

(E) a step of sending, in accordance to an operational input of a user through the user terminal, data for generating a screen for displaying said information-collecting theme and said theme-related information to said user terminal;

(F) a step of decreasing the points of the user who browsed said theme-related information, and recording this to said database;

(G) a step of increasing, in accordance to said theme-related information being browsed, the points of the user who proposed said theme, and recording this to said database;

(H) a step of accepting the user's evaluation of said theme-related information through said user terminal, and recording the evaluation to said storage means; and

(I) a step of calculating, in accordance to the obtained evaluation result, said points of said user who provided said theme-related information, and recording this to said database.

7. A method for operating a WWW server according to claim 6, wherein said evaluation of said theme-related information in said step (H) is a result of a vote accepted from said user terminal.

8. A method for operating a WWW server according to claim 6, wherein the points of the user who proposed said information-collecting theme are decreased, and this is recorded to said database.

9. A method for operating a WWW server according to claim 6, wherein said calculation of said points in said step (I) is an addition process.

10.   A method for operating a WWW server according to claim 6, wherein a billing process to said user is conducted instead of said decreasing of said points.

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